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SUBJ: IMCO OFFER TO THOMAS HEINAN

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1. IMCO PERSONNEL OFFICER HAS AGAIN ASKED US STATUS OF HEINAN'S CONSIDERATION OF JOB OFFER (REFTEL). OUR INABILITY TO PRODUCE CANDIDATE TO TAKE UP DUTIES OF POST OFFERED TO HEINAN BECOMING INCREASING EMBARRASSMENT TO USG IN ITS RELATIONS WITH IMCO. URGENT DECISION REQUIRED.

2. IF HEINAN WILL NOT ACCEPT APPOINTMENT OFFERED, WE SHOULD MOVE QUICKLY TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE, SERIOUS CANDIDATE. IN THIS REGARD, IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION DURING PAST WEEK THAT RETIRED US COAST GUARD COMMANDER CLETUS JOSEPH WALTZ PRESENTLY RESIDING IN UK, WHO WOULD APPEAR TO HAVE REQUISITE QUALIFICATIONS, MAY BE INTERESTED IN POSITION.

WALTZ ON VACATION UNTIL APRIL 22 AND WE WILL NOT BE ABLE DISCUSS HIS PLANS WITH HIM UNTIL THEN. SINCE HE ALREADY LIVING IN UK, HE WOULD PROBABLY BE AVAILABLE QUICKLY TO TAKE UP DUTIES AT IMCO ASSUMING WE PROPOSE HIM AS CANDIDATE AND HE ACCEPTED BY IMCO.

3. WHILE WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN WALTZ WILL WANT TO APPLY FOR IMCO POST IN MARITIME SAFETY DIVISION,
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DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER HIM AS POSSIBLE

ALTERNATIVE AND ADVISE US OF PROCEDURE FOR SUBMITTING
HIS APPLICATION TO IMCO IF HEINAN'S DECISION IS
NEGATIVE.

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